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(SBU) Following 12/18 discussion of demarche points in reftels, Sierra Leonean Acting Foreign Minister Vandí Minah told Ambassador he did not see a problem in moving from "absent" to either abstention on "no" to the no action motion. He asserted firmly that the GoSL should be in the "yes" column on the substantive issue. However, he indicated he wanted to contact the delegation in New York before offering a full commitment to these positions. We note that Foreign Minister Bangura is out of the country and believe her decision is likely the final one.
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